

LOREBURN COMMUNITY COUNCIL



Agenda

Extraordinary General Meeting: Tuesday 15th August 2023 at 7.00pm

Held at Municipal Chambers, Buccleuch Street, Dumfries

Sederunt: Anne Lindsay (Chair), Robin Wishart (Treasurer), Graham MacLeod, Artemis Adams, Carole Hastings, Jim Wallace, Karl Drinkwater, Simon Jones (Secretary), John Dowson, Susan Garnsworthy, David Slater

Apologies: Keith Walters

Main Topics:

1) **Co-opting of new community councillor:**

Jim Wallace, 15 Irving Street, Dumfries proposed
by LCC chair, Anne Lindsay.

Second by John Dowson, Passed unanimously.

Jim Wallace is now a member of the Loreburn
Community Council.

2) **Participation Request relating to the new Greensands car park**

RW observed that we did agree to do this last meeting. However as we did not put it to a formal vote it missed being minuted in a wide ranging discussion around the issue. So not only do we want to make a Participation Request but we did previously agree to do this.

DS said that the Greensands car park is not viable, that people won't park there, there are issues around the trees, the schools. He reminded us that there will be a Councillors' seminar at the end of August around options for flood management in Dumfries.

AL: explained that a whole river approach is an option that emerged from discussions in the Net Zero focus group.

A motion was put that On behalf of Loreburn Community Council we wish to make a Participation Request as per Part 3 of the Community Empowerment Act 2015 to be included in decisions and processes related to the "Greensands Improvements."

Proposed by SJ, seconded by AA, carried unanimously.

A motion was also put to delegate to the Chair the right to appoint representation in this matter..

Proposed by SJ, seconded by RW, carried unanimously.

JD observed that resources could be provided by DGC to facilitate this work. Perhaps including the hire of professional experts.

RW: the Council has data and reports that can help.

SJ: asked the Community Council whether we wished to make a letter of complaint about the refusal to accept our initial Participation Request and it was decided that we did not.

We discussed asking the Scottish Community Development Centre to monitor the project. It was agreed that we should do so and SJ was asked to invite them to do so.

AL suggested that we ask DPAG to act based on its commitment in Dynamically Different Dumfries to green spaces.

DS suggested starting a petition.

Any other business

Potholes were raised as an issue of concern.

Burns Statue was raised as an issue of concern and the Secretary will put this on the agenda for our next meeting.

CH explained that there is no maintenance budget for the Common Good. Discussion was had around an existing maintenance budget and we agreed to look into this.

Date and place of next meeting

Tuesday 5th September 2023